

REMARKS

Claims 1-2, 4-6 and 8 have been rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as anticipated by Jammy. The rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the limitations of revised claim 2 (now canceled). Although Jammy discloses zirconium oxide and strontium titanium oxide, it fails to disclose hafnium oxide, lanthanum oxide and yttrium oxide, as required by amended claim 1.

Claim 3 has been rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as unpatentable over Jammy in view of Laibowitz; and Claim 7 has been rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as unpatentable over Jammy. The rejections are respectfully traversed for the same reasons presented in the arguments above, and since Laibowitz fails to disclose hafnium oxide, lanthanum oxide and yttrium oxide, as required by amended claim 1. Additionally, the Examiner fails to provide a reason why one having ordinary skill in the art would have been motivated to modify the applied reference. The Examiner simply makes a conclusory statement of obviousness without any evidentiary support on the record.

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the outstanding rejection of the claims and to pass this application to issue. If it is determined that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number given below.

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However, the Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

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